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SUBJECT: US-USSR ENVIRONMENTAL AGREEMENT: PROJECT 02-08-12,  
EFFECTS OF CHANGES IN THE HEAT BALANCE OF THE ATMOSPHERE  
ON CLIMATE

1. REQUEST EMBASSY PASS FOLLOWING LETTER FROM DR. EDWARD  
S. EPSTEIN, US COCHAIRMAN WORKING GROUP VIII, TO DR. Y.  
SEDUNOV, USSR COCHAIRMAN, WORKING GROUP VIII, WITH COPY TO  
DR. KAZAKOV, BOTH OF HYDROMET. REQUEST AMCONSUL PASS COPY  
TO DR. BORISENKOV AND DR. KAROL, BOTH AT MAIN GEOPHYSICAL  
OBSERVATORY.

2. QUOTE

PROJECT 02-08-12 AUGUST 12, 1977  
DR. Y. SEDUNOV  
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FIRST DEPUTY DIRECTOR  
MAIN ADMINISTRATION HYDROMETEOROLOGICAL SERVICE  
12 PAVLIK MOROZOV STREET  
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DEAR DR. SEDUNOV:

THE US SIDE HAS RECEIVED INFORMATION ON THE CONTENTS OF

A LETTER FROM DR. KAROL TO DR. MACHTA DATED JUNE 19, 1977, CONCERNING JOINT ACTIVITIES UNDER PROJECT 02-08-12. THIS IS IN REPLY TO THE ITEMS CONTAINED IN DR. KAROL'S LETTER.

MR. WALTER KOMHYR IS SCHEDULED TO ARRIVE LENINGRAD AT 7:35 P.M., AUGUST 26, 1977, ON AEROFLOT FLIGHT 638. HOWEVER, ON AUGUST 11, 1977, WE WERE ADVISED BY THE SOVIET CONSULATE IN WASHINGTON, D.C., THAT IT HAD NOT RECEIVED CONFIRMATION OF MR. KOMHYR'S VISIT AND THEREFORE WAS UNABLE TO ISSUE A VISA. I SINCERELY HOPE THAT THIS PROBLEM CAN BE RESOLVED AS SOON AS POSSIBLE IN ORDER NOT TO HAVE ANY FURTHER DELAY IN THE COMPLETION OF THIS PROJECT. MR. KOMHYR WILL BRING AN ECC ELECTROCHEMICAL OZONE METER AND AN ELECTROCHEMICAL OZONE SONDE BOTH OF WHICH WILL BE LEFT AT THE MAIN GEOPHYSICAL OBSERVATORY.

THE US SIDE CONCURS WITH THE SOVIET PROPOSAL TO DISCUSS A SERIES OF INTERCALIBRATION TESTS OF CARBON DIOXIDE MEASURING EQUIPMENT. PLEASE PROVIDE DETAILS TO MR. KOMHYR WHO WILL DELIVER THEM TO DR. MACHTA FOR REVIEW. SPECIFIC JOINT PROJECTS FOR 1978 AND 1979 WILL BE DISCUSSED AT THE THIRD JOINT MEETING OF WORKING GROUP VIII.

I REGRET THAT THE PROPOSED DATES OF SEPTEMBER 26-30, 1977, UNCLASSIFIED

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FOR THE MEETING TO DISCUSS RADIOMETRIC AND SPECTROSCOPIC STANDARDS AND CALIBRATION OF SENSORS WERE UNACCEPTABLE TO THE SOVIET SIDE. THE US SIDE WILL BE PREPARED TO DISCUSS THIS MATTER FURTHER AT THE THIRD JOINT MEETING OF WORKING GROUP VIII.

I WISH TO EXPRESS MY DEEP DISAPPOINTMENT THAT DRS. HERMAN AND WEINMAN WILL BE UNABLE TO VISIT THE INSTITUTE OF ATMOSPHERIC OPTICS AT TOMSK. I HOPE THAT IT WILL BE POSSIBLE FOR DRS. HERMAN AND WEINMAN TO MEET WITH DRS. KREKOV, NAATZ, ZADDE, AND GLASOV AT NOVOSIBIRSK. IT IS OUR VIEW THAT RECIPROCITY IS ONE OF THE BEST MEANS FOR PROVIDING THE MUTUAL BENEFITS THAT ARE ESSENTIAL FOR THE SUCCESS OF OUR COOPERATIVE PROGRAM. ACCORDINGLY, I WOULD HOPE THAT THE SOVIET SIDE COULD RECONSIDER ITS DECISION REGARDING THE VISIT TO THE INSTITUTE OF ATMOSPHERIC OPTICS.

DR. KAROL HAS REQUESTED NAMES OF US SPECIALISTS, PROPOSED PROGRAM, AND DATES OF VISIT FOR A US DELEGATION ON ATMOSPHERIC MEASUREMENTS. WE ARE UNABLE TO IDENTIFY THIS PROJECT IN THE US-USSR JOINT COMMITTEE MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT BUT WE WILL BE PLEASED TO DISCUSS THIS ITEM AT

THE THIRD JOINT MEETING OF WORKING GROUP VIII.

THE US SIDE REGRETS THAT DR. KONDRATYEV'S HEALTH  
PRECLUDES HIS VISIT TO THE UNITED STATES THIS YEAR. WE  
WILL, OF COURSE, BE PLEASED TO RECEIVE HIM IN 1978.

THE US SIDE IS PLANNING TO HAVE A DELEGATION OF NINE  
PERSONS PARTICIPATE IN THE THIRD JOINT MEETING OF WORKING  
GROUP VIII WHICH WE UNDERSTAND HAS BEEN SCHEDULED FOR  
OCTOBER 3-14, 1977, AT LENINGRAD. NAMES OF THE DELEGATES  
AND A SUGGESTED ITINERARY TO VISIT SOVIET FACILITIES WILL  
BE PROVIDED IN THE NEAR FUTURE. I LOOK FORWARD TO OUR  
MEETING IN OCTOBER.

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WITH BEST REGARDS,

EDWARD S. EPSTEIN

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